

## INTERNATIONAL SCHOOL OF CURAÇAO

## ISC WEEKLY

## NEWSLETTER



International  
School of  
Curaçao

**Dates to Remember:**

September 12-30: MAP  
Testing (Grades 3-8)

September 24: Curaçao  
Clean-Up

September 26: Progress  
Reports

September 30: 12:00  
Dismissal due to local  
elections

October 7: 12:00  
Dismissal

October 10-14: Regatta  
Break, School Closed

**From The Director**

Dear ISC,

The school photo schedule for next week is as follows:

Monday, September 26th: grades 9 & 10

Tuesday, September 27th: grade 11

Wednesday, September 28th: grade 12

The question has been brought up to me a couple times regarding the missed day of school last Thursday and whether or not it needs to be made up. By accreditation standards, we need to complete a minimum of 180 days of school to have a complete academic year. Typically we build in an extra day or two just in case something were to happen and school needs to be canceled. This year's calendar has 181 days built in, thus at this point, we do not need to add an additional day. This means, however, should school be closed again at any other point throughout the remainder of the year, we would need to make up the lost day(s).

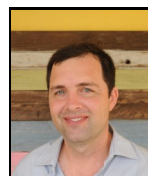
On this same topic, I want to thank the entire ISC community for their cooperation and help in getting the message out that we were closed on Thursday and then again open Friday. The best indicator we have that everyone received the message is that not a single student— or staff member, showed up to school Thursday morning for classes. There are a couple small things to iron out, but for the most part, our emergency communication system proved to be effective and efficient.

Thanks also to all who have signed up for Saturday's Curaçao Clean-Up. Preliminary numbers are very positive and ISC is once again ready to positively contribute.

Have a great week.

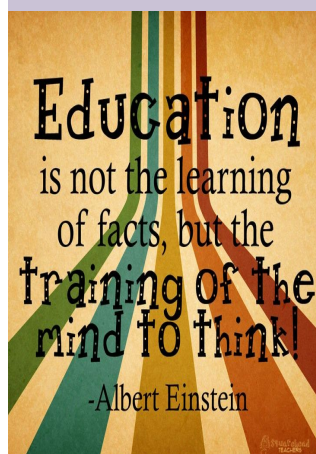
Sincerely,

Douglas Vaughan  
Director

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***Our Vision: An  
international  
education  
today for the  
global citizens  
of tomorrow.***



***Our Mission: ISC educates students from diverse cultures to have the skills to think creatively, communicate effectively, reason critically, and act compassionately.***

Remember to follow ISC's Uniform code


## No open shoes

The logo for the International Mathematical Olympiad (IMO), consisting of the letters 'I' and 'M' in a stylized, bold, blue font with a white outline.

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## ISC &amp; the annual Curaçao Clean up event on September 24, 2016

Good afternoon ISC,

A few last minute details to make this year's clean up event as successful and comfortable as ever:

Volunteers will receive a t-shirt for the clean up on site and students are advised to wear their old PE shirts and then switch to the new one.

Mosquito repellent, sunscreen, a cap/hat, closed toe shoes and a drinking water bottle are important details to remember.

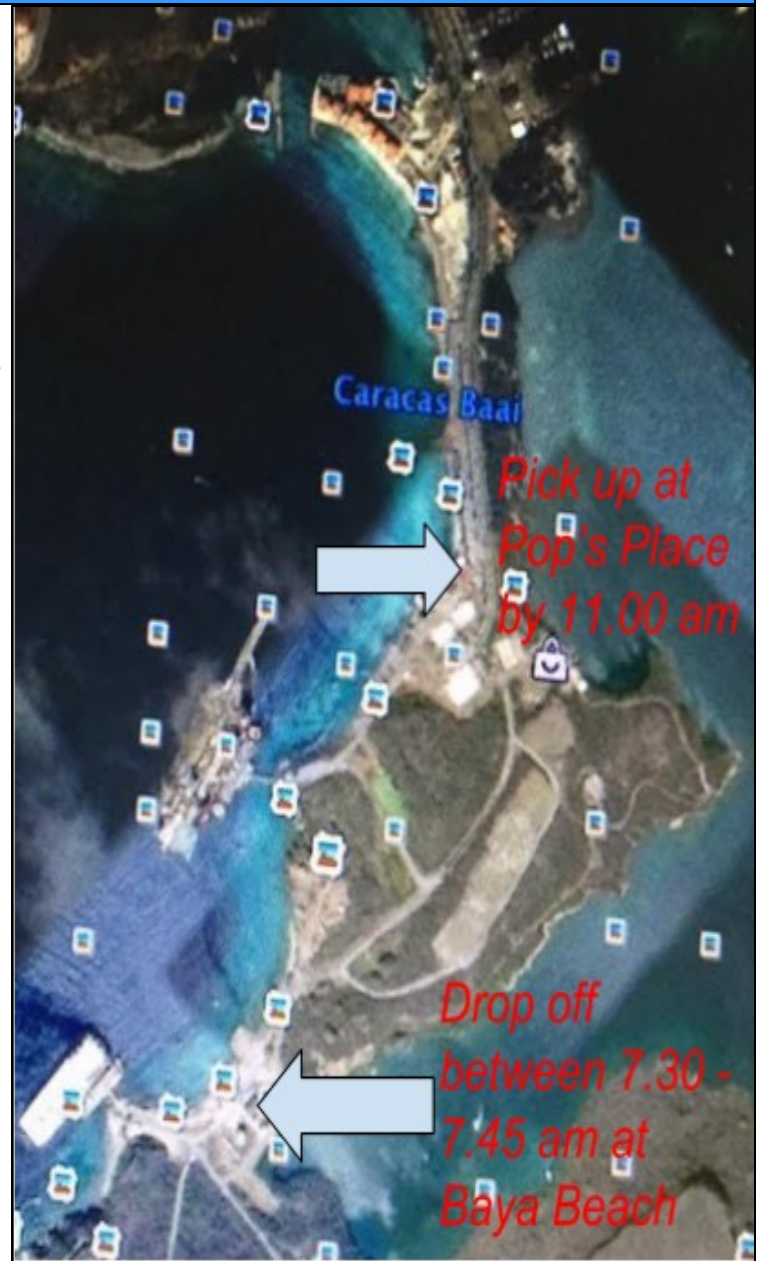
All signed permission slips must be handed over to the homeroom teacher by Thursday, September 22nd.

Parents can drop off the participants at Baya Beach between 7.30 to 7.45 am (see map to the right) and pick them up promptly at 11.00 am from "POP'S PLACE" located at the beach area. This extended time is to ensure that all locations assigned to ISC are thoroughly cleaned while taking into consideration the need of a break for water, drinks, fruit and snacks. Volunteers who are old enough to carry and work with garden rakes are encouraged to bring their own to the clean up.

These details were sent to us from the organizers of the Clean Up and also the ISC PTA!

Those participating in the underwater clean up will be going separately in the afternoon.

Thank you for supporting this island wide clean up event.



Ms Sini

## From the Library: Summer Reading and Arrival of New Uniforms



Above: Grade 6 student Cora Reidarson

Congratulations to grade 6 student Cora Reidarson, who was also one of the winners of the summer reading competition!

Please note that the new order of school uniforms has arrived and are available in the library. If you were waiting for a specific size to be replenished, they are here!



## Prinses Wilhelmina Fonds Bake Sale: Friday, September 23

Dear All,

It is that time of the year again when ISC joins forces with **Prinses Wilhelmina Fonds**, an organization in Curaçao that promotes cancer awareness, research, and patient care. We organize an Annual Food Sale in support of this cause. We kindly ask everyone to help make a difference. All funds collected are donated to

**Prinses Wilhelmina Fonds**, these donations are given to their representatives during our United Nations Celebration (UN Day) taking place on **Friday, October 21<sup>st</sup>, 2016**.

We truly appreciate your help in supplying food for the sale. We welcome sweet and savory items such as: individual juice boxes, cookies, pastechis, samosas, pies, cakes, chips, croquettes, arepas, etc. Nothing is too little to help support this really good cause. This year food sale will take place in Ms Jen's classroom, MS Math.

Our Annual Food Sale will take place on **Friday, September 23<sup>rd</sup>, 2016**. Last year we collected ANG 2.048. Let's work together to surpass our collection of last year.

Please contact me directly if you have any questions.

Thank you in advance,

Miss Nina

[kommerohn@isc.cw](mailto:kommerohn@isc.cw)

K4 Teacher



# Thank you to everyone who supported our lemonade stand last Friday!

# Thank You!



Artwork by Ben Smith (PR NJHS)



## From the Business Office

A friendly reminder from the Business Office: If your account is not up-to-date, please contact Loraine directly. Yearly payments should be up-to-date at this point. For installment payments, the 3rd installment is due October 1st. For those of you who pay monthly, kindly maintain a standing order for payments to be made on the 1st of each month. Adherence to the payment due dates and policies is imperative.

Kind Regards,

Loraine van Rosberg





# UN DAY

*One Community, Shared Responsibilities*

UN Day will be taking place on Friday, October 21<sup>st</sup>, 2016. As many of you know, this day requires a lot of planning and work to make it special. We always count on parent volunteers to contribute with finger foods, manage the country booths, and organize a cultural performance.

We invite all parents who wish to volunteer for this event to join us in a meeting on Thursday, September 29<sup>th</sup> in Ms. Goumana's 5th Grade Room.

If you have any questions, please feel free to contact us at [unday@isc.cw](mailto:unday@isc.cw)



## From the School Nurse– Vaccinations and Diagnosing Students

### When and how does my child receive vaccinations at school?

Should your child need vaccinations, a letter will be sent home with your child notifying you that your child is due for immunization. The Curacao health department (GGD) organizes the immunization clinic at ISC during the month of November.

### Can the School Nurse diagnose my child in the Health Centre?

No. If your child is sick/injured overnight or on the weekend, please take them to be seen by a doctor before bringing them to school. The Health Centre is not to be treated as a medical clinic. As a school Nurse, I cannot diagnose your child. I provide basic first aid for incidents that occur during school hours.

### Some key points:

I encourage students to stay in class when possible. I do not routinely notify parents of minor illness or injury. Parents will be notified if a child is seen frequently in my office with minor complaints of illness or injury that tend to be chronic and contributes to a lot of missed class time.

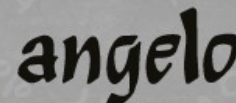
If you as a parent or guardian are called by me, please pick up your child in a timely manner.



Nathania Da Costa  
Gomez, RN

## ISC Partners

*Discounts from Local Businesses  
for ISC Employees*



The International School of Curaçao (ISC) is a preK-12, accredited, private, nonprofit, coeducational day school recognized by the local government of Curaçao that provides instruction in English. ISC was founded in 1968 and offers a rigorous academic program in order to prepare students who plan to pursue higher learning at colleges and universities around the world.

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